

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795

Msgr. Brian McNamara, Pastor
Rev. Gregory Breen, Associate Pastor
Rev. Sylvester Chukwumalume, in Residence
Chaplain, Southside Hospital
Rev. Freddy Lozano, in Residence

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Deacon Rich Maher, Deacon Jack Meehan,
Deacon John Teufel**

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Trish Frodell, Director of Parish Social Ministry
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Vita Scorcia, Ministry Spiritual Director

Parish Office

Phone: 631.661.3224, press 1
Monday-Thursday: 9:00am-7:30pm
Friday: 9:00am-5:00pm
Saturday: 9:00am-3:00pm
Sunday: 9:00am-2:00pm
E-mail: ParishOffice@ollchurch.org
Fax: 631.661.7143
Website: www.ollchurch.org

Our Lady of Lourdes School

Phone: 631.587.7200, press 2
Monday-Friday: 9:00am-3:00pm
E-mail: lkrol@ollschool.org

Religious Education Office

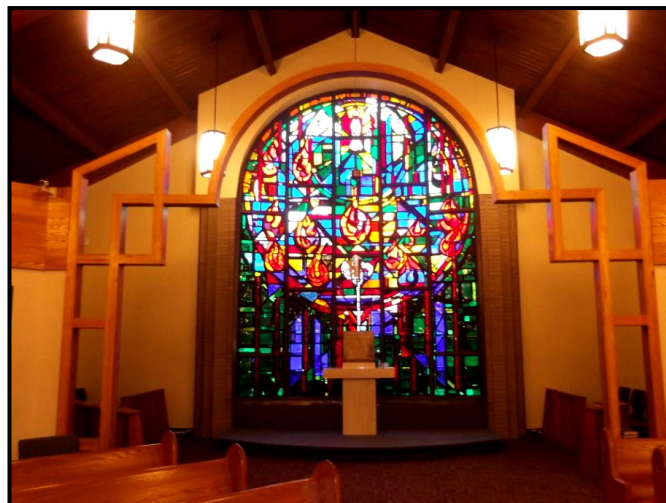
Phone: 631.661.5440, press 3
Monday-Friday: 9:00am-Noon,
1:00pm-5:00pm, 7:00pm-9:00pm
E-mail: ReligiousEd@ollchurch.org

Parish Outreach Office

Phone: 631.661.9262, press 4
Monday-Friday: 9:30am-3:30pm

SAGE (*Senior Advocates for Growth and Enrichment*)

Phone: 631.661.3224, Ext. 122
E-mail: Sage@ollchurch.org



Liturgical Schedule

Daily Mass

8:30am

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, 12:30pm
and 6:00pm

Reconciliation/Confession

Saturday: 4:00pm-4:45pm or by appointment

Rosary

Daily at 8:00am

Miraculous Medal Novena

Monday at 8:00am

Sacraments

Anointing of the Sick

Throughout the liturgical year. If needed sooner, please call the Parish Office.

Baptism

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule an appointment.

Marriage

Arranged at least six months in advance, please call the Parish Office.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

A process to be embraced by the Catholic Church. For non-Catholics and for Catholics who have never received formal religious education. If interested, please call the Parish Office.

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time • Sunday, January 21, 2018



Welcome to our Parish Family

New Parishioners are cordially invited to register as members of our Parish Family. Please call or visit our Parish Office.

Remember: Together, we can do something beautiful for God!

- Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Pastoral Council

Msgr. Brian McNamara
Eileen Rega
Mary Borgs
Lisa Cantalino
Sonia DaSilva
Nilo DeLeon
Jerry Esposito
Trish Frodell
Pam Gagliano
Deborah Lamb
Rosalie Mangels
Deacon Jack Meehan
John Muldoon
Dottie Perdue
Vita Scorcia

Mission Statement

As stewards of all that God has given us, the Parish Family of Our Lady of Lourdes serves and ministers to all who come to this place.

Regardless of a person's history, ethnicity, gender, orientation, age or race, we commit ourselves to open wide the doors of our Parish to provide a place of welcome and hospitality.

Readings for the Week of January 21

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/ 1 Cor 7:29-31/ Mk 1:14-20
Monday: Lectionary for Ritual Masses, vol. IV Mass for Peace & Justice
Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/ Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17/ Mk 4:1-20
Thursday: Acts 22: 3-16 or 9:1-22/ Mk 16:15-18
Friday: 2 Tim 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/ Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/ Mk 4:35-41
Next Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/ 1 Cor 7:32-35/ Mk 1:21-28

Parish Staff

Patti Anderson
Parish Office/Bulletin Editor
AnnMarie Buonaspina
Director of Youth Choirs
Michael Buonaspina
Parish Organist
Carol Grillo
Parish Office
Stephanie Hahn
Parish Office
Nancy Kuchler
Parish Office/School Office
Rita Spera
Religious Education Office

Financial Summary

January 14, 2018

Weekly Collection	\$ 17,432.00
Weekly Budget	- \$ 17,800.00
+/- for the week	\$ (368.00)

Building & Maintenance \$ 4,657.00

The estimated weekly collection needed to maintain and operate our parish buildings, ministries, programs and salaries is \$17,800.

Dear Parishioners:

We are now in “ordinary time” in the church year, though Lent is right around the corner this year (February 14!). Visually, the priests and deacons now wear green vestments, not white or purple. In the church, green is the color of hope. Ordinary time lasts until Lent and then after the Lenten and Easter seasons, ordinary time returns until the start of Advent. In all, 34 weeks of the year are devoted to Ordinary Time.

As the Church liturgical documents tell us:

Besides the times of the year that have their own distinction, there remains the yearly cycle of thirty-three or thirty-four weeks in which no particular aspect of the mystery of Christ is celebrated (as is true in the Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter seasons), but, rather, the mystery of Christ itself is honored in its fullness, especially on Sundays. This period is known as Ordinary Time (Universal Norms, paragraph 43).

As you know, “time” is very important to us. No one wants to waste time. So, I would like to challenge everyone not to waste time spiritually during “ordinary time”. If we do well spiritually during ordinary time, we can experience extra-ordinary spiritual results.

A friend of mine recently ran the New York City Marathon. In many ways the Church year is like a spiritual marathon. At certain points in a marathon, you may sprint and run faster than at other parts. The crowd is there to cheer you on, especially when you want to give up. So it is true for us: When we want to give up on our spiritual marathon, the saints cheer us on, hoping that we will finish this spiritual race. As my friend told me: You simply put one foot in front of the other and grind it out.

During the Church year, there are times that we “spiritually sprint” (Advent, Lent, etc.) but usually we simply put one spiritual foot in front of the other. However, unless we put one foot in front of the other, we will never finish the marathon. So, too, with our spiritual marathon. Ordinary time is the time we put one foot in front of the other to finish our spiritual race, with the prize being eternal life with Christ in heaven – a pretty good prize, and we do not even have to finish in first place!

Runners tell me that at certain points in a race, the endorphins kick in and they experience a “runners’ high”! (I have to be honest with you and tell you the only “runners high” I ever experienced was when I stopped running!) So, use ordinary time well and let God’s grace draw you closer to the Lord and experience a “spiritual” high!

Remember: Together, we can do something beautiful for God.

In Christ,

Fr. Brian

Altar Society

Altar linens this week will be cared for by *Connie Lynch*. If you would like to help care for our altar needs, please call the Parish Office at 631-661-3224.

Members in the Military

We ask that you pray especially for those in our parish that are on active duty in the Middle East conflict.

Michael DiMatteo-*US Marines*
Michael Fantauzzi-*US Air Force*
Christopher Florca-*US Marines*
Colby Matthew Kelly-*US Army*
Anthony Mannino-*US Marines*
Anthony Memoli-*US Marines*
Michael Wilkinson-*US Army*

... and remember those of our parish family that are in the armed services, listed in our Parish Book of Intentions.



Pastoral Care of Our Sick

Please call the Parish Office at 631-661-3224 to leave the names of parishioners who:

- Are homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist.
- Are in Good Samaritan Hospital and/or a local nursing home and would like to be visited by a member of our Pastoral Care Ministry.
- Would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick.

Pray for Our Sick

Please remember to keep in your thoughts and prayers ...

Frank Antonawich Jr., Grace Ciccarello, Millie Davino, Amanda Ditingo, AnneMarie Dolan, Anthony Dolan, Pat Eastwood, Franklin Edwards, Paula Edwards, Catherine Governanti, Ron Graziano, Denis Heffron, Josephine Heffron, Patrick Anthony Heffron, Thomas Hicks, Jr., Msgr. William Jablonski, Henry Kahn, Shena Kahn, Anne Kerrigan, George Koehler, Richard Macher, George Mangels, Vinny Meade, Lennox Osouna, Dorothy Proctor, June Quirino, Rose Rickey, Christine Rizzo, Joseph J. Schiavoni, AnneMarie Schiraldi, Linda Scoco, Doris Shaddock, Kathy Shaddock, Bernadette Stone, Richard Wagner, John Zambito

Names of the sick will be listed for **six weeks** for short-term requests and **six months** for long-term.

Mass Intentions

Monday, January 22

Day of Prayer for Legal Protection of Unborn Children

8:30am Mr. & Mrs. Kennedy

Tuesday, January 23

St. Marianne Cope, St. Vincent

8:30am Gary & Marie Foster

Wednesday, January 24

St. Francis de Sales

8:30am Joseph & Amelia Moscarelli

Thursday, January 25

The Conversion of St. Paul

8:30am John Warren Maher

Friday, January 26

St. Timothy & St. Titus

8:30am Andrew Clyde

Saturday, January 27

St. Angela Merici

8:30am Vulin Ante & Vulin Neven

5:00pm James Maher

Fr. Greg Breen

Sunday, January 28

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

National Catholic School Week Begins

8:00am Mary Cunningham

Msgr. Brian McNamara

9:30am Mary McHale

Msgr. Brian McNamara

11:00am Mark Polito & Domenica Prudente

Fr. Greg Breen

12:30pm Robert Wolfe

Msgr. Brian McNamara

6:00pm People of the Parish, Bob Herr, Vincent Sepe,
Alan Clendaniel, Eleanor Zimmerlin,
Gregory Kava

Fr. Greg Breen



Rest In Peace

*Eileen T. Douglas
Raymond E. Patella*

*We extend our prayerful
sympathy to the families
and loved ones of those
recently deceased.*



Long Island Coalition for Life

Help restore the right to life for preborn children. Please join the Long Island Coalition for Life for the Roe v. Wade Anniversary Memorial Face the Truth event on Sunday, January 21, 2018, from 1:30pm to 3:00pm. This peaceful public witness will be held on the sidewalk in front of Nassau University Medical Center 2201 Hempstead Tpke., E Meadow, a hospital that commits abortions. Be a positive sign for LIFE! Signs provided. Sponsored by: LICL 631-243-1435, info@prolifeLI.org

Pregnant? Need Help?

Birthright, Inc. 24 Hour Helpline 1-800-550-4900

Islip: 631-277-3888 - Hampton Bays: 631-728-8900 - Rocky Point: 631-821-9727

Southold: 631-876-5138 - Wantagh 516-785-4070

SAGE

The SAGE Group (*Senior Advocates for Growth and Enrichment*) will meet on **Tuesday, January 23 in the Parish Center at 9:00am.**

Donations to Outreach

If you would like to make a donation to Parish Outreach in memory of a loved one, please call Trish Frodell, Director of Parish Social Ministry at 631-661-3224, option 4.



Canned chili
Canned fruit
Canned vegetables
Pork & beans
Soups
Tuna



Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

What's it all about?

IF you are an adult *AND*

- ... you were never Baptized
- ... you were Baptized in another faith and would like to become a baptized Catholic
- ... you never received Holy Communion (Eucharist)
- ... you never received your Confirmation

IF you are an adult *AND* one or more of the circumstances above apply to you ...

IF you feel you would like to become a baptized Catholic or become more fully initiated into your Catholic faith ...

Our email address is RCIA@ollchurch.org or call the Parish Office at 631-661-3224, option 1, and we would be happy to help you.

All Volunteers - VIRTUS TRAINING

Are you aware that the Diocese of Rockville Centre requires all volunteers that are 18 years or older must attend the Virtus class? CYO Coaches, Religious Education, Catechists, Cantors, Ushers, Parish Volunteers (feast workers, mailing team, etc.) are required to attend Virtus training course, if they have not yet done so. You must register online by visiting www.Virtus.org, then click the link for first time registrants. You can view the list of sessions to find a course and then complete the registration online. PLEASE NOTE: After completion of VIRTUS training, you will receive a certificate of completion. Please retain your certificate and training completion date for future use.

Church Census Information

The process of updating our Parish Data System information is an ongoing process. We ask that you please submit any recent changes -- address, family members, phone numbers, etc. With your help, our parish data information will be more accurate, and receipt of Parish Offering Envelopes and other church information can be distributed more efficiently. Please mail the information to the Parish Office or email to: parishoffice@ollchurch.org.



In addition to our parish website (ollchurch.org), please visit us on *Facebook* at *The Parish Family of Our Lady of Lourdes*. Click “Like” and you will receive the latest news on upcoming parish events and information.

Ministry of Praise

Members pray at home for the intentions of the Church and Parish; designed for the homebound, senior citizens, etc. Monthly calendar is available in the Narthex. Prayer requests can be left in the Ministry of Praise box along with the name and address of any homebound person who might want a copy of the calendar mailed to them (please print).

Good Samaritan Prayer Group of L.I.

The Good Samaritan Prayer Group of Long Island holds their meetings every Friday (except the first Friday of the month), from September through June, at OLL School in Room 16 from 8:00pm until 10:00pm. All are welcome to experience singing, praying and fellowship.

Prayer for Divine Mercy

An invitation to all men and women to be part of God’s plan. We invite you to meet in prayer for the world and our nation to put their trust in God. Our hope is that the nations will have a new spirit of morality. Please come with your love and hope for humanity as well as your prayer requests. We gather together every **Thursday at 1:30pm** before the Blessed Sacrament for about one half hour. For more information, call Charles Argento at 631-586-8528.



Boy Scout Troop 179

For over 40 years, Our Lady of Lourdes has been sponsoring Boy Scout Troop 179 of West Islip. We meet every **Thursday during the school year** in the School Cafeteria from **7:30pm to 9:00pm**. If you are interested in joining Boy Scouts, check out our website and stop by a meeting!

Website: <http://witroop179.wix.com/bsatroop179#>

Email: WIBSATroop179@outlook.com

Anxiety Disorder Sufferers

A **Recovery Group** for those suffering from **Anxiety Disorder** meets on Tuesdays from 2:00pm - 4:00pm in the Spiritual Life Center (in Convent building). The Group is led by a trained and certified Anxiety Disorder Group Leader. *For more information, please call Michael at 631-968-9154.*

Support Groups *(all meetings are in Lourdes Hall - lower level of Convent)*

Alcoholics Anonymous: Monday and Tuesday at 8pm and Saturday at 11am and 7pm.

ALANON: Wednesday at 10am. Beginner’s meeting at 9:30am. Free babysitting available.



El Salvador Mission Trip - Informational Meeting

Thursday, January 25, 2018 from 7:00-9:00pm in the Parish Center

Our 2018 Mission Trip to El Salvador will be from June 30th to July 6th.

For further information, please contact Deacon Rich Maher at: rmaher@ollchurch.org



Spaghetti Dinner and Raffle

“Friends of Troop 179” are having our annual Spaghetti Dinner and Raffle on Saturday, January 27th, with a snow date of Saturday, February 3rd. It runs from 4:00pm -7:30pm in the school cafeteria. The price is \$5.00 per ticket and children under 5 are free. There will be raffle tickets for purchase that night.

Our Lady of Lourdes Youth Group - OLLY Calling all High School Students - Grades 9-12

Mark your calendar and join us on the following dates:

Friday, January 26, 2018

Friday, February 16, 2018

Fridays, March 2 and 16, 2018

Fridays, April 6 and 20, 2018

Fridays, May 11 and 25, 2018

Fridays, June 8 and 22, 2018

7:00-9:00pm in the Parish Center - Food, Fellowship and FUN! Bring a Friend!!!

Any questions, please call or text:

Stephanie Hahn: 631-617-8212 Emily Brierly: 631-813-9457

Fr. Greg: 631-661-3224 ext.121



Kellenberg Memorial High School First Trimester Honor Roll

Ariana Almonte

Nicholas Killian

Jacob Konopka

Grace Merandi

John Rainis

Mia Sessa



We are so proud of you. Congratulations on making the Honor Roll!

Our Lady of Lourdes Outreach
gratefully acknowledges the following donations made in November

During the month of November 2017, the Outreach Office received donations from: Fern & William Sasso, Don & Laura Willis, Frank Curry, Christina Cafarelli, Anne & John DeGuardi, Richard Flynn, Marcelle & Carlo Crudele, Bob & Kay Manley, Dorie & Joe Greco, Paul Petrino, Anne Basso, Ronnie Keane, Robert Saraceno, and The Babylon Lions Club.

Donations specifically earmarked for Thanksgiving were received from: Doris & Richard Shaddock, An Anonymous Donor, Barbara Kittner, Joanne & Cyril Marquardt, Michael & Catherine Duca, and a Gift Card donation from Joe, Mary & Joseph Carbone.

Donations received with special intentions:

James & Valerie Gesualdi IMO James J. Dobson
Frances V. Hodgkins IMO her Husband, John R. Hodgkins
Jean Fisher IMO Robert Keith Fisher
Lorraine Petito IMO her sister-in-law, Evelyn Laino,
and In Loving Memory on the Birthday of her husband Bob Petito
Paul Delmore IMO Joseph Delmore Sr.
Patricia Piarulli IMO John Sureau
The Chemistry Department Day Shift at Sunrise Labs IMO James Dobson
Jane Booton & Family IMO James J. Dobson
Joan Ambrose IMO James J. Dobson
Marilyn C. Duffy for wellness for family and friends
Teresa Reilly IMO Jimmy Reilly for Christmas
Tina & Frank Aparo IMO Kurt Peiscop-Grau
JoAnn & Ed Giuffré IMO John (Jack) Giuffré
Joan & John Fischer IMO Kathy Lengyel
Cora Smith IMO James Smith & Family, Donald McClatchey & Family,
Basillio Aquino & Family, Rosa & Vito Mastrorocco and Adren Wills
An Anonymous Donation IMO Mary, John, & John J. Lynch.



Our Lady of Lourdes Outreach
gratefully acknowledges the following donations made in December

During the month of December 2017, the Outreach Office received donations from:

Sr. Anna Marie Vigorito, Muriel & Vinny Meade, Phil & Connie Ambrosino, Kimberly & Raymond Mascolo, The Good Samaritan Retiree Club, Paul & Elizabeth Johnson, John & Virginia Dowd, Elaine Missack, Blas & Maryann Hernandez, The Teams of Our Lady, and Pat Heithaus. A donation of supermarket gift cards was received from Paul Petrino.

Donations specifically earmarked for Christmas were received from:

Michael Abbruscato, Michael & Lois Popp, Terri & John Ryan, Michela Farrauto, Patricia M. Howlett, Eleanor & Connell McGee, Michele Bencivinni, Fran & Jerry Clark, and Cyril & Joanne Marquardt.

Donations received with special intentions:

Marilyn Barthel & Beth Ann & Phil Corsentino IMO Thomas Ferrara
An Anonymous Donor IMO Alice Bonacci
The Sage Ministry IMO Frank Bertino, Brother of Sage Member Tina Aparo
Mrs. Lucie's Class In Honor of Mrs. Lucie
Frank Curry IMO Pat Curry
Barbara Kittner IMO Alan Kittner, Frederick Zimmerman, Jr., Roy George & Cecilia George
An Anonymous Donor in gratitude for the generous Parish Ministry of Corazon Smith
An Anonymous Donor In Memory of Detective Peter Figoski
Joseph Vieni IMO Elvira Vieni
The Cosentino, DiStephano & Sarle Families IMO Eddie Mariarossi
Margaret Breig IMO Jimmy Reilly
Catherine Goldstein IMO Vincent Sepe
Donations from Oakwood Cemetery Association, Marilyn & John Winans,
and Carol & James Milliken were received IMO Dolores E. Oleksiuk
The Johnson Family IMO of Pat, Al and Kevin Waters
Joan & Gabriel Cesarini IMO Howard B. Lewis
JoAnn & Ed Giuffré IMO Peter Porzio
John & Maryclare Filipek IMO Mom
Phil & Connie Ambrosino IMO Tom Ferrara
The OLL Lectors IMO their friend and colleague Jim Dobson
Mary Ellen & Charles Paparella IMO James Dobson

*Thank
You*





Our Lady of Lourdes School

Growing in Wisdom and Grace

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Our Lady of Lourdes School Open House - January, 2018





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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2018 OPEN HOUSE

**Sunday, January 28th from 10:45am-12:00 Noon
and January 29th - February 2nd from 9:00am-11:00am**



- Registration for 2018-2019 school year
- Tours of school facilities
- Information about our faith-based, academically enriched curriculum



*Nursery & Pre-Kindergarten (half day and full day),
Kindergarten (full day).... Grades 1-8
Extended Care, After School Enrichment Activities, Sports Teams, Theatrical Arts,
Extensive Music Program included in Tuition,
Educational Technology including SmartBoards in all classrooms
and schoolwide use of iPads,
Student-run TV Studio...Morning News broadcast daily in homeroom*

Visit our school web site at:
www.ollschool.org
for more information about our
exciting programs!

*Call the School Office at:
631-587-7200 ext. 100
if you have questions.*





DRVC - Office of Faith Formation

January, 2018 Workshops & School of Missionary Disciples Information Sessions

Catholic Divorced & Separated Prayer Service / Information Session

Designed to provide knowledge and support for individuals who have or are experiencing divorce or separation.

January 26, 2018 from 7:00pm - 9:00pm

St. Barnabas Parish (*Holy Family Chapel*), Bellmore

School of Missionary Disciples Information Sessions

Seminary of the Immaculate Conception

440 W Neck Rd, Huntington, NY 11743

Sunday, February 4, 2018 at 2:00pm

St. Rosalie Parish

31 E Montauk Hwy., Hampton Bays, NY 11946

Sunday, February 4, 2018 at 2:00pm

Mercy Hospital

1000 N Village Ave., Rockville Centre, NY 11570

Tuesday, February 6, 2018 at 7:30pm

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish

495 N Ocean Ave., Patchogue, NY 11772

Wednesday, February 7, 2018 at 7:30pm

For more information visit our website www.drvc-faith.org

The Annulment Process of the Catholic Church (Questions & Answers)

Speaker: Fr. Lee - Diocesan Tribunal

Thursday, January 25, 2018 - 7:00-8:00pm

All interested Catholics are invited to attend.

Christ the King Parish

Bishop McGann Room - Family Center

2 Indian Head Road, Commack, NY 11725

For further information, please contact Deacon Louis Anetrella at 631-864-1623.

Blood Drive in Honor of Alyssa Padro

Thursday, January 25, 2018 - 2:00pm to 8:00pm

K of C Council #564 - Bishop John R. McGann

1341 Fifth Avenue, Bay Shore, NY 11706

Alyssa is the daughter of Grand Knight Dan Padro of K of C Council #564 - Bishop John R. McGann

Please donate blood to support Alyssa and other children battling Leukemia.

BONE MARROW REGISTRY WILL BE AVAILABLE

ELIGIBILITY:

Bring your **DONOR CARD** or ID

Minimum weight 110 lbs. Eat well (low fat) & drink fluids. No new tattoos for past 12 months.

Age 16 – 75 (16 year olds must have parental permission. Age 76 and over need doctor's note)

For questions concerning medical eligibility call: 1-800-688-0900 or visit www.nybc.org

For more information or to schedule an appointment, please contact: Doreen at 516-478-5031

 **New York** Blood Center

Preparing for Marriage?

Engaged Encounter is an effective Pre-Cana program designed to provide you with the tools for a successful marriage. Couples are given the opportunity to explore many aspects of their relationship through a series of presentations, writings and dialog. There are no group discussions. Our next weekend will be held at the Montfort Spiritual Center in Bay Shore, NY on Jan. 26-28, 2018. For information/registration, please call Lenny & Pat Walker at: 631-563-1032 or visit: www.engagedencounterli.org.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

“For the world in its present form is passing away.” If change in our lives is our lot, let us learn how to change with and for our spouses by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Feb. 2-4, 2018 in Manchester, CT and Mar. 2-4, 2018 in Morristown, NJ. For more information, call John & Toni Torio at: 718-344-3700, or visit them at: <http://www.wwmeli.org>.

Bereavement Support Group

St. Mary's Parish in East Islip is offering a free 8 week support group for adults who are struggling to cope with the death of a loved one. Registration is required for this group, which begins on **Wednesday, March 7 from 7:00-9:00 pm**. The group will run for 8 consecutive weeks through April 25th. Refreshments will be served. For information and/or registration, please call the rectory at 631-581-4266, ext. 100. Please note, the group is open to people of all faith denominations. In order to participate in this group, the death must have occurred prior to Dec. 13, 2017.

Dominican Sisters of Amityville - Beauty of the Spirit Luncheon

Did you receive a gift that you can't use?

Did you receive an item that you already have?

Did you receive a present that you could give away?

If you answered "YES" to any of the above questions, the Dominican Sisters of Amityville invite you to donate your items for our annual Beauty of the Spirit Luncheon. All proceeds from the event benefit the elderly and retired Sisters living in the Motherhouse. Last year, the event grossed over \$114,000!



Unfortunately we are unable to accept donations of clothing. Also, we ask that all items be in brand **NEW** and unused condition. Items can be dropped off at the Motherhouse between 8:00am to 4:00pm, Monday-Friday: 555 Albany Avenue, Amityville, NY, attn.: Advancement Office. If you have any questions, please call (631) 842-6000 ext. 238. Thank you for your support.

Accepted Students Day - St. Dominic H.S.

Congratulations to all of the students who were accepted into St. Dominic High School's Class of 2022! We look forward to seeing you at Accepted Students' Day on Tuesday, January 23rd at 4:00pm in the St. Dominic Chapel. For questions and more information: Contact Mr. Matthew O'Brien, Director of Admissions, at 516-922-4488, ext. 5325 or admissions@stdoms.org

Reverse Raffle and Mardi Gras at Holy Trinity HS

Holy Trinity High School in Hicksville will be hosting its annual Reverse Raffle and Mardi Gras party on February 10, 2018.

For more information, check their website at holytrinityhs.org or call 516 433-2900 x177.

Kellenberg Memorial Alumni Communion Breakfast

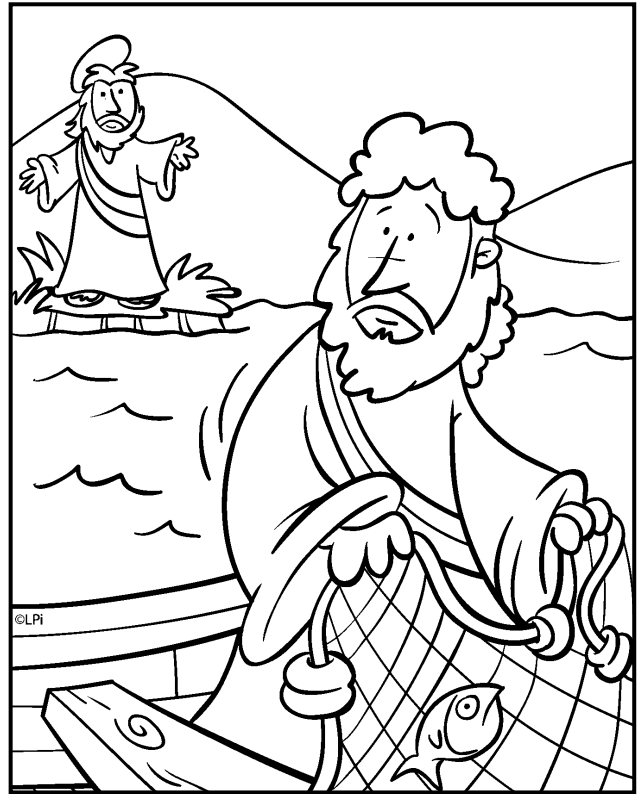
All Kellenberg Memorial Alumni and their families are invited to join us for the 2nd Annual Alumni Communion Breakfast on Sunday, February 11, 2018. Mass begins at 9:00am, followed by breakfast and a special guest speaker. The cost for the morning is \$12 per person and \$6 for children 10 and under. Unfortunately, walk-in registration is not available for this event. Please note that all guests must pre-register no later than February 5th. Any questions may be directed to (516) 292-0200 x245. Online registration is available by visiting www.kellenberg.org/alumni.

Religion and Rock

Tune into "Religion and Rock" with Msgr. Jim Vlaun on Sunday from 7:00am to 8:00am on WBAB 102.3 FM or 95.3 on the East End of Long Island. Listen on Saturdays at 11:00pm on Sirius Radio, Channel 159, the Catholic Channel and at 11:00pm on XM Satellite, Channel 117. Next Sunday's theme is "Searching for a Meaning."

Sharing the Gospel

There's a colorful envelope addressed to you on the kitchen table. You see it's from your friend. You open it and find a party invitation inside. Your parents say you can go! When Jesus invited Peter, Andrew, James and John to come along with Him, they were just as excited to go. Jesus was the Savior and a good friend. They couldn't wait!



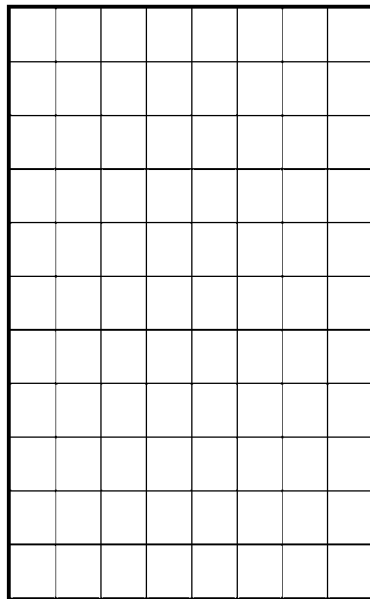
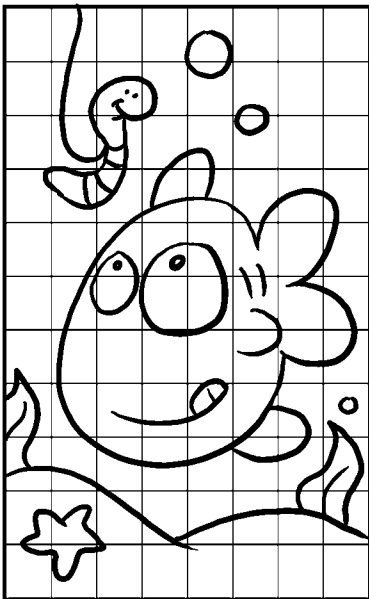
Mission for the Week



Jesus wants you to come to His home in Heaven. Make a party invitation from Jesus to you. Use this invitation as a bookmark in your Bible.

Puzzle

Copy the picture square by square.



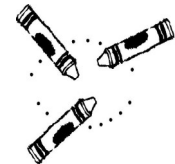
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Prayer



Dear Jesus,
I thank You for
inviting me to
spend time with You.

Something to Draw



Draw a picture of
Jesus smiling and
waving to you.